



**SHREWSBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS**

MINUTES

Regular Meeting: February 17, 2004 - 7:00 P.M.

Location: Selectmen's Hearing Room - Municipal Office Building

Present: John J. Ostrosky, Chairman
Robert P. Jacques, Vice-Chairman
Dorbert A. Thomas, Clerk
Patricia M. Banks
Kenneth F. Polito

Also Present: Brad Stone, Agent

Absent: John D. Perreault, Town Engineer

Mr. Ostrosky opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

1. Review and Approve Minutes

The Conservation Commission voted on the Minutes as follows:

July 15, 2003 – approved as submitted after corrections, with Mr. Ostrosky abstaining

September 16, 2003 – approved as submitted after corrections, with Mrs. Thomas abstaining

November 18, 2003 – approved as submitted after corrections.

January 17, 2004 – approved as submitted.

2. Signed bills.

3. Meetings and Hearings – 7:05 P.M.

285-** Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by David Parmenter
for the construction of a single family home at 8 Gristmill Circle**

Attending the hearing was David Parmenter – the builder, and Dan Leahy – from C.B. Blair Co.

Mr. Leahy said this is the last lot to be developed within the subdivision and the only one within the 100 foot buffer zone. He said erosion control measures have been in place since the beginning of the subdivision. He said the corner of the house is 34 feet to the closest wetland flag.

Mr. Jacques asked Mr. Stone if he was satisfied with the detention and Mr. Stone said yes.

Mr. Jacques commented that he would like to see some kind schedule for filling. Mr. Parmenter said he would like to do that too, because they don't want to have to go in there again.

Mr. Polito expressed concern that they are not providing a 30-foot buffer, which is listed in the Commission's new guidelines.

Mr. Leahy said they would be asking for a waiver in this one area. He said they would also be putting erosion controls like large boulders, rip-rap, etc.

Skip Carpenter, expressed concern that the erosion controls have fallen apart. He said the detention pond has 10 feet of standing water with no fence around it. Mr. Parmenter said the reason the haybales and silt fence have been unattended is because that area is not within the buffer area, so the haybales have been left to decompose. Mr. Parmenter commented that he did not construct the culvert, so the water problem may be because of that.

Mr. Jacques said he would like Mr. Parmenter to come back with information about the amount of fill, the schedule, and erosion control measures. He asked if water can be intercepted with intermediate swales. Mr. Parmenter said he had no problem with that as they had to put intermediate swales throughout the project because the subdivision is on a hill.

Mr. Ostrosky continued the hearing to March 16, 2004.

285-1248 Continued – Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Sage Investors, Inc. for the construction of a commercial building and parking lot at 360 Hartford Turnpike

Mr. Ostrosky said Chris Christopher has requested a continuance to the next meeting, as they are still working on the plans.

Mr. Ostrosky continued the meeting to March 16, 2004.

285-1254 Continued – Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Pete Calabrese, Assistant Maintenance Manager, The Home Depot New England Store Support for the construction of a detention basin and drainage swale at 530 & 542 Boston Turnpike

Attending the hearing was Luke Hurley, representing Pete Calabrese.

Mr. Hurley stated the easiest remedy might be to just take pipes out and at the bottom of the drainage swale put three new pipes. He said it will maintain enough hydrological flow to keep wetland wet. He said the other option, which was discussed last month, would cause a lot of excavation and that didn't seem like a good thing to do. He said the swale would be constructed for large rainstorm events.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

285-1253 Continued – Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Shrewsbury Hunt Limited Partnership for the construction of a single family home at 8 Sheryl Drive

Attending the hearing were Brian Weiner – from Toll Brothers, Jeremy Downs – GCG Engineering.

Mr. Downs said they shifted the lot line between the two lots and adjusted the easement line. He said when they did this, they could now move the house. He said they added a split rail fence.

Mrs. Banks asked the distance of the corner of the house towards the basin. Mr. Downs said it was four feet to the fence and basin, and they will put a gate. Mr. Downs commented that they are 22.8 feet away from the wetland area.

Mr. Ostrosky asked if the house could be smaller by eliminating the garage. A representative from Toll Brothers stated this house was the smallest design footprint Toll Brothers has, and he said by eliminating the garage, they would still be 22.8 feet away from wetland area.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

(NOTE: This Notice of Intent was denied by vote as follows: One yes vote (Mr. Jacques) and three no votes: Mrs. Banks, Mr. Ostrosky, and Mr. Polito. Abstaining from the vote: Mrs. Thomas.)

285-1255 Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Donna LePage for the repair of a building foundation at 36R Canna Drive

Attending the hearing were Donna and Vic LePage, 36R Canna Drive. Mr. LePage stated they need to repair the foundation, as it was not constructed properly. He said there was an Order of Conditions about ten years ago.

Mr. LePage said they will remove the damaged area and repair with large stones and foundation. He said they will cap the stones. He stated excavation will be minimal and no heavy equipment will be needed, it will be all manual work. He also stated that he has talked to the Building Inspector.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

285-1257 Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Andrew B. and Stephanie B. Liston for the construction of a single family home addition at 48 Longfellow Road

Attending the hearing was Andrew Liston, homeowner and engineer at 48 Longfellow Road. Mr. Liston stated that they are proposing to put on an addition to the existing single family home, which will include a bedroom and living room space.

Mr. Liston said they are less than 30 feet in one area, but they are not within the buffer area. He said the corner of the shed is about 24 feet. He said they would stabilize the area immediately. He commented there would not be disturbance to the wetland area when putting up the shed, they will pour for sonar tubes.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

**285-1258 Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Trillium
Investment Corporation for the construction of a single family dwelling at
5 Turtle Creek Circle**

Attending the hearing was Matt Tomaiolo – the developer, and John Grenier – the engineer from J.M. Grenier Associates, Inc.

Mr. Grenier said the detention basin is behind the lot, and what they are showing on the plan is the building block, as they are marking the house now, and this block is the area the house could go in. He said a corner is 25 feet within the outer riparian zone.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

4. New Business

a. Discussed/Signed Draft Orders of Conditions and Requests for Determination of Applicability

285-** 8 Gristmill Circle - continued**
285-1248 360 Hartford Turnpike - continued
285-1254 530 & 542 Boston Turnpike – conditionally approved
285-1253 8 Sheryl Drive – voted to disapprove
285-1255 36R Canna Drive – conditionally approved
285-1257 48 Longfellow Road – conditionally approved
285-1258 5 Turtle Creek Circle – conditionally approved

5. Old Business

a. Discussed/Signed Certificates of Compliance

285-1144 Lot 10R Holman Street
285-1197 87 Spring Street
285-722 Lot 16 Arbor Village (reissue)

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annette W. Rebovich